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Ref: 1436-21311

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
C Sand, Reservoir B
C Zone, Reservoir A
WEST LAKE VERRET FIELD
St. Martin Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Petrohawk Operating Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Petrohawk Operating Company** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the C Sand, Reservoir B and C Zone, Reservoir A, in the West Lake Verret Field, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

1. To dissolve the existing drilling and production unit created as the C Zone, Reservoir A by Office of Conservation Order No. 50-XXX, effective July 9, 1996 and to simultaneously create two (2) revised single drilling and production units of approximately 21 acres for the C Sand, Reservoir B, designated as the C RB SUA and C RB SUB, West Lake Verret Field, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the C RB SUA and C RB SUB;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate a unit operator, unit wells for the C RB SUA and C RB SUB and an alternate well for the C RB SUA;
5. To grant an exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E and to permit applicant, Petrohawk Operating Company to designate and utilize an alternate unit well for the C RB SUA, such well to be at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
6. To grant a single unit allowable for the C RB SUA and to permit the operator of the unit to produce said unit allowables from the unit well, the proposed alternate unit well, or from either of the wells, at its option;

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7. To make a specific finding that such proposed alternate unit well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the C RB SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any other well within the unit.
8. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The C Sand, Reservoir B, West Lake Verret Field, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand between the measured depths of 3,290 feet and 3,346 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Mission Resources Corporation-JL&S Co. ST UD No. 7 Well, located in Section 15, Township 14 South, Range 12 East.

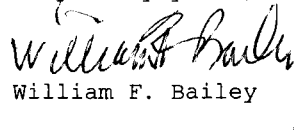
In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated January 24, 2006 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2005. It was stated at that time that this conference would be held only if a request to confer were received by the undersigned within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the pre-application notice. No requests to confer were received either in writing or by telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference **WILL NOT BE HELD.**

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the C RB SUA and 2 RB SUB, West Lake Verret Field, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed units can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Leon Comeaux, of Leon Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, LA 70505 (337) 233-9839.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$1,510.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours;


William F. Bailey

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties

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SEC. 009

SEC. 010

C RB SUA
JL&S CO. NO. D-8
JL&S CO. NO. D-9
± 21 ACRES

JL&S Co.

C RB SUB
JL&S CO. NO. D-7
± 21 ACRES

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SEC. 016

SEC. 015

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EXHIBIT NO.

DOCKET NO.

PETROHAWK OPERATING COMPANY

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PROPOSED UNITS
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